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Brownsville Missouri Pacific Passenger Station Notes
From Various Sources

From Texas Online:

1. The station was on Levee Street. (John Wagner stated that when you walked out the front of the depot you looked down 12th Street.) Could have been at the corner of those two streets, or maybe 12th led up to it.)
2. The station was built in 1925 to 1926.
3. The architectural and construction firm was the Kelwood Company of San Antonio.
4. The station had one floor.
5. Comment: "A beautiful building but demolished once the station closed."

Found on the Internet:

6. The Van Noy Interstate Company built a restaurant and waiting room just north of the Harlingen MP station. The firm specialized in serving railroad passengers.

From Ambrosio Villarreal:

7. Spanish Mediterranean Style.
8. Built 1925 to 1927.
9. Demolished in the 1960's.
10. Was on E. Levee St. between 11th and 12th Streets.
11. Developer: James-Dickenson Company (Lee B. James and Asa D. Dickenson)
12. Architects: Kelwood Company and Henry T. Phelps (designed the garden), San Antonio
13. Firm's Designer: Robert B. Kelly

From A. T. Kott:

14. Dr. Philips Hastings took the photos in the trains magazine, and is now deceased. His photo collection is now at the California Railroad Museum in Sacramento.
15. Hastings was a young psychiatrist in the Army for basic training at Fort Sam Houston (San Antonio) for four weeks in the summer of 1948. On five weekends, he shot train photos. The first two weekends were spent around S.A. The third weekend included a trip over to Houston and back. The fourth weekend included a trip to Houston and down to the Rio Grande Valley on the Pioneer.
16. David P. Morgan spent his youth in Taft, Texas (near Corpus), in spite of his urbane sophisticate appearance in the railfan press. His father was a preacher there. Therefore, he was very interested in south Texas subjects.
17. R.H. Carlson took some photos of the last few passenger runs which were originated at the old Brownsville MP freight station.
18. Carlson also took some photos on the track side of the old passenger depot, but I recall they all show only the long concrete platform shed. None of the depot building itself.
19. I wrote Carlson's Will in which his 40,000+ negatives were donated to the

Western Collection of the Denver Public Library.